

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1- 24 are amended to correct informalities. Support for the amendment to claim 17 may be found at least at page 12 of the specification. No new matter is added by the above amendment. In view of at least the following, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

I. Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

The Office Action rejects claim 22 under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being an improperly defined process. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

By this Amendment, claim 22 is amended to comport with the requirements set forth under 35 U.S.C. § 101. We believe that support for such an amendment is at least inherent by the disclosure provided at page 15, lines 4-12 of the originally filed specification. Such a disclosure would clearly enable one to use the recited primer composition as a primer for adhesives, a sealant, or floor coverings.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

II. Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112

The Office Action rejects claims 1-24 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

By this Amendment, claims 1-24 are amended. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-24 are definite and thus satisfy the requirements set forth under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

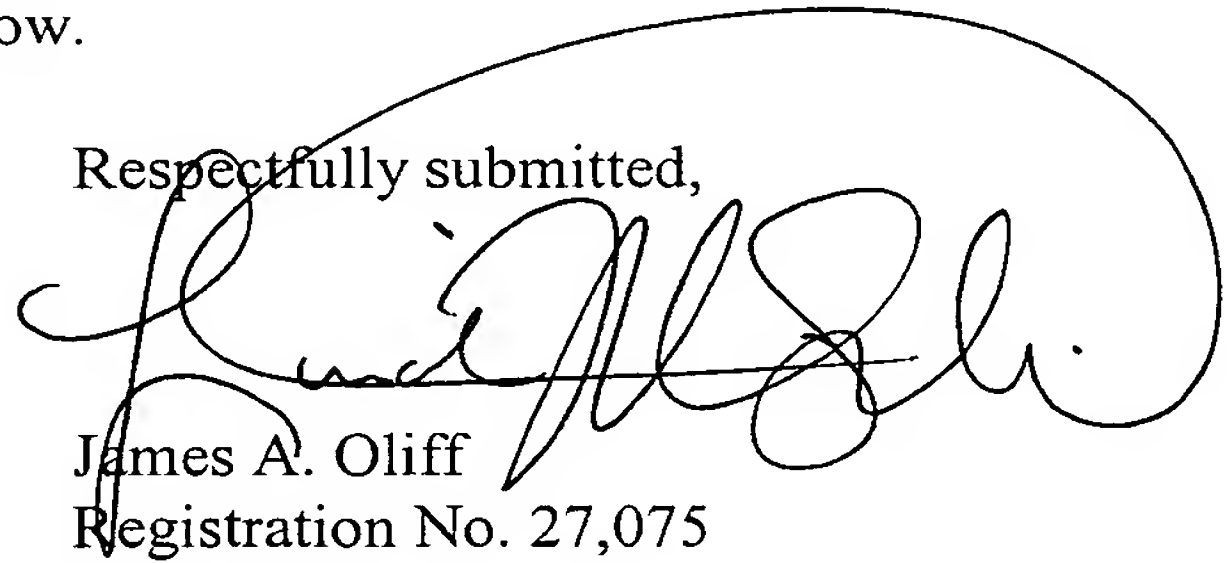
Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the claims are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "James A. Oliff". The signature is written over the printed name and registration number.

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Petition for Extension of Time

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